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DIARY NOTES

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7 April 1961

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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. We again discussed [REDACTED] The Director asked Dick Bissell and me to tell him specifically what we wanted him to say to Mr. McNamara, <sup>as he</sup> ~~as he~~ had agreed to see him. However, shortly after the meeting, I talked with [REDACTED] who indicated that based upon conversations which he and the Defense Comptroller have had with Mr. McNamara and Mr. Gilpatric, the attitude in the Pentagon seems to have changed and they are proceeding along a much more liberal and realistic approach. (See separate Memorandum for the Record on this conversation dated 7 April 1961.)

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b. The Director noted my recent memorandum indicating that the Support components were quite stretched out in support of [REDACTED] He and Mr. Bissell both indicated that they were very sympathetic to our situation.

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c. The Director said that he had personally notified Roger Jones that we had not yet agreed to transfer the Biographic Register and NIS from the Department of State to CIA and could not do so until we received a formal proposal. The Director had Mr. Cannon's letter to the Director of the Budget in which he stated that our appropriations would henceforth be considered on an annual basis. He said that he had forgotten about seeing this and explained that he wished to try to persuade them to change.

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enthusiastic about this possibility and Mr. Bissell wants to send a representative along with me.

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2. I agreed to arrange a meeting with Mr. Kirkpatrick at 11:30 A.M. on Tuesday, the eighteenth of April, which Colonel Edwards, Emmett Echols, Ed Saunders, John Tietjen and [REDACTED] would be attending.

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3. I talked with both Jim Garrison and Larry Houston about the renovation of [REDACTED]. Apparently, if the Public Buildings Service undertakes this, it may be necessary for them to make a full report to the [REDACTED] Committee. I emphasized to them that we did not want to go back to the Hill on this

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specifically the fallout shelter. They said their visit to the Atomic Energy Commission at Germantown was very much worthwhile and that there should be no problem in implementing my suggestions with regard to [REDACTED] STAFOTHR

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